Statement from Steve Hale

"Mississippi has made great progress in creating quality, high paying manufacturing jobs through out our state. In the face of the national recession and NAFTA, Mississippi has continued to focus on manufacturing. That success can be seen in the jobs created at the new Nissan plant and their more than 30 suppliers and the expansions of Howard Industries and Norfolk Grumman. We are also very proud of our work to keep manufacturing jobs from leaving our state. The result of those efforts have paid off with companies like Hol-Mac in Bay Springs and Alcoa in Desota County who have not only decide to stay here but to expand their manufacturing operations within our state."